(*b*) the number of Sanskrit books published till now (19-11-1104);

(*c*) the number of books published by the Curator which had already been published by other persons;

(*d*) the number of books the authors of which are *Keraleeyas*; and

(*e*) the approximate time required for the completion of the publication of the manuscripts already collected?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 1,947

(*b*) 95.

(*c*) Nil.

(*d*) 13.

(*e*) With the existing scale of staff and at the present rate of publication, it must take a long time to complete the publication of the manuscripts already collected.

Sanskrit Manuscripts obtained on loan for publication.

212. **MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether all the manuscripts obtained from private persons and copied in the office of the Curator for the publication of Sanskrit Manuscripts have been returned in due time; and

(*b*) whether they have received any complaint from such persons that the manuscripts have not been returned?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Curator reports that the manuscripts are usually returned to the owners only after their use is over, but that, if the owners require them even when they are in use, then also the manuscripts are returned.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD (*Jenmies*): With reference to the answer to part (*b*), may I know whether Government have received any complaint in regard to Malayalam manuscripts?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The question has been answered.

MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD (*Jenmies*): That is with reference to Sanskrit manuscripts. I want to know whether the Government have received any complaint with regard to *Malayalam* manuscripts.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice of that question.

Selection of Sanskrit and Malayalam Manuscripts for publication.

213. **MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the manuscripts for publication are selected by the Curators alone or with the approval of any other person or board?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The books published by the Curator for the publication of Sanskrit Manuscripts are selected with the approval of the Advisory Board appointed by the

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